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## COMMISSIONER MICHAEL J. COPPS' STATEMENT CONCERNING COMMISSIONER MCDOWELL'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Regarding the announcement made today by FCC Commissioner Robert McDowell, Commissioner Michael J. Copps stated:

"I respect Rob's decision. Finally we have clarity on who will be participating in this proceeding. That should give some juice to our ongoing discussions."